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RICHARDS & BROWN - Victorian Fruiting Vine Silver Gilt Claret Jug - 1866 £2,500.00

A stunning silver & crystal claret jug made by the firm of Richards & Brown.

This fine and unusual Victorian sterling silver gilt and crystal claret jug is made with the crystal body cut in with the classic "Fruiting Vine" design. The silver gilt (gold plated / vermeil) mount echoes the design, with fine chased lid, hollow vine branch effect handle, ending with the bunch of grapes connecting to the band of fruiting vines on the shoulder. To the front of the the shoulder is a vacant cartouche, which could be personalised if required.

When we received the jug it had been well loved over the last 150 years. The original gilt finish was worn at the extremities, so we've had this piece professionally re-plated, as a result the piece now looks absolutely stunning with that all over gold finish - it's a real statement piece that really standsout.

Markings: Fully hallmarked for .925 sterling silver, London 1866. Hallmarked for George John Richards & Edward Charles Brown as per the image above, in addition the interior of the lid bears the matching marks.

Material and Technique	Sterling silver, gilded, with crystal body.
Origin	British
Period	19th Century
Style	Victorian
Condition	Excellent
Hallmark	Fully!
Dimensions	Size: Measures 12 1/4" (31 cm) tall.

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